

RENTON CITY COUNCIL
Regular Meeting

April 12, 2010
Monday, 7 p.m.

Council Chambers
Renton City Hall

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Law called the meeting of the Renton City Council to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

**ROLL CALL OF
COUNCILMEMBERS**

DON PERSSON, Council President; MARCIE PALMER; RANDY CORMAN; GREG TAYLOR; RICH ZWICKER; TERRI BRIERE; KING PARKER. CARRIED.

CITY STAFF IN ATTENDANCE

DENIS LAW, Mayor; JAY COVINGTON, Chief Administrative Officer; LARRY WARREN, City Attorney; BONNIE WALTON, City Clerk; TERRY HIGASHIYAMA, Community Services Administrator; GREGG ZIMMERMAN, Public Works Administrator; IWEN WANG, Finance and Information Services Administrator; ALEX PIETSCH, Community and Economic Development Administrator; KELLY BEYMER, Parks & Golf Course Director; MARTY WINE, Assistant CAO; PREETI SHRIDHAR, Communications Director; TERRY FLATLEY, Urban Forestry & Natural Resources Manager; COMMANDER CHARLES KARLEWICZ, Police Department.

PROCLAMATIONS

Week of the Young Child -
April 11 to 17, 2010

A proclamation by Mayor Law was read declaring April 11 to 17, 2010 to be "Week of the Young Child" in the City of Renton and encouraging all citizens to join in this special observance. MOVED BY CORMAN, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION. CARRIED.

Norma Blaumen, of Family Circle Learning Center, accepted the proclamation with appreciation.

Arbor Day/Earth Day - April
24, 2010

A proclamation by Mayor Law was read declaring April 24, 2010 to be "Arbor Day/Earth Day" in the City of Renton and encouraging all citizens to join in this special observance. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE PROCLAMATION. CARRIED.

Terry Flatley, Urban Forestry and Natural Resources Manager thanked Mayor Law and Council for the proclamation. He explained how the City maintains its Tree City USA designation and invited everyone to attend the fifth annual Arbor Day/Earth Day celebration at Ron Regis Park on 4/24/2010.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: DeMastus -
AARP Meeting Invitation

Sandel DeMastus (Renton), President of AARP Local #414, invited City officials to attend the group's next meeting where Washington State Attorney General Rob McKenna will be the guest speaker. She remarked that the State's recent budget cuts are a major concern for seniors and disabled citizens.

Citizen Comment: Baker -
Proposed Shoreline Master
Program

Laurie Baker (King County) noted that she owns property on Mountain View Ave. N. and expressed concerns regarding the City's process of communicating with homeowners who are affected by the Shoreline Master Program (SMP). She stated that most homeowners believe the proposed regulations are excessive and will lower property values. She requested that a public hearing be held so affected citizens can voice their concerns directly to the City Council.

Responding to Councilmember Corman's inquiry, Ms. Baker stated that she is specifically concerned about the proposed setback and building coverage rules. Discussion ensued regarding public testimony and whether or not issues raised by citizens have been adequately addressed.

Citizen Comment: Fix - Proposed Shoreline Master Program	<p>Monica Fix (Renton) expressed concern regarding how quickly the Shoreline Master Program (SMP) is progressing. She stated that information regarding docks and piers was recently added, and pointed out that the final draft has only been available for public review for five days. Ms. Fix requested that Council slow the process down.</p> <p>Discussion ensued regarding submission of correspondence, re-review of issues that may have been resolved by the Planning Commission, the proposed timeline for submitting the SMP to the Washington State Department of Ecology, and ensuring that homeowner concerns have been adequately addressed.</p>
Citizen Comment: Blount - Wonderland Estates Mobile Home Park Pancake Breakfast	<p>Greg Blount (Seattle), Director of Manufactured Housing Community Preservationists (MHCP), explained that his organization, in association with the King County Housing Authority, provides opportunities for low income home ownership. He stated that the residents of the Wonderland Estates neighborhood successfully campaigned to save their community from closing last year and invited everyone to attend their second annual pancake breakfast on 4/24/2010 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Mr. Blount also reported the addition of nine used homes at Wonderland Estates as a result of the SeaTac Airport third runway abatement.</p>
Citizen Comment: Lindhall - Proposed Shoreline Master Program	<p>Kevin Lindhall (Renton) remarked that he believes there is a false sense of urgency regarding the Shoreline Master Program and requested that Council slow the process down in order to allow more time to collect feedback from affected residents.</p>
CONSENT AGENDA	<p>Items listed on the consent agenda are adopted by one motion which follows the listing.</p>
Council Meeting Minutes of 4/5/2010	<p>Approval of Council meeting minutes of 4/5/2010. Council concur.</p>
Utility: Release of Easement Request, PACLAND	<p>City Clerk submitted request for partial release of easement by April Pust, PACLAND, 1505 Westlake Ave. N., Ste. 305, Seattle, 98109 for approximately 4,289 square feet of property located at 743 Rainier Ave. S. Refer to <u>Utilities Committee</u>.</p>
Appeal: Cavalla Preliminary Plat, Petrie, PP-08-097	<p>City Clerk reported appeal of Hearing Examiner's decision regarding the Cavalla Preliminary Plat by Dave Petrie, accompanied by required fee. Refer to <u>Planning and Development Committee</u>.</p>
CED: 2010 Neighborhood Program Grants	<p>Community and Economic Development Department reported submission of grant applications for the 2010 Neighborhood Grant Program and recommended funding nine projects and seven newsletters totaling \$74,357, and authorizing a second round of funding with a deadline of 10/9/2010. Refer to <u>Community Services Committee</u>.</p>
Budget: 2010 Carry Forward Ordinance	<p>Finance and Information Services Department requested approval of the carry-forward ordinance in the amount of \$37,020,458, which increase the 2010 Budget by carrying forward funds from 2009 for projects that were not completed in 2009. Refer to <u>Finance Committee</u>.</p>
Utility: Thunder Hills Creek Sanitary Sewer & Surface Water, Parametrix	<p>Utility Systems Division recommended approval of a contract with Parametrix, Inc. in the amount of \$125,356 for design services related to the Thunder Hills Creek Sanitary Sewer and Surface Water project. Council concur.</p>

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Community Services Committee

Community Services:
Courtroom #1 Name Request,
Roger I. Lewis Courtroom

Community Services Committee Chair Palmer presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to rename Courtroom #1 at Renton City Hall the "Roger I. Lewis Courtroom" and waive the six-month waiting period between the request for naming and recommendation of its adoption. MOVED BY PALMER, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

Councilmember Palmer explained that Roger Lewis was a Renton judge and has been a long-time community participant. She stated that it is a great honor to name Courtroom #1 after Mr. Lewis.

Board/Commission: Create
Library Advisory Board

Community Services Committee Chair Palmer presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to approve the ordinance amending Chapter 13, Library Board, of Title II (Commissions and Boards), to create a Library Advisory Board for issues related to services now provided to Renton residents by the King County Library System. MOVED BY PALMER, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 16 for ordinance.)

Councilmember Palmer explained that there will be five open positions and the applications should be available by the middle of May. Ms. Palmer clarified that interested citizens can fill out an application and submit it to the Mayor's office for review.

Planning & Development Committee

CED: Membership Agreement,
Cascade Cities Agenda
Program

Planning and Development Committee Chair Briere presented a report recommending concurrence in the staff recommendation to become a member of the Cascade Land Conservancy's Cascade Agenda Cities Program at the Leadership City level. More than a dozen cities in the central Puget Sound region participate in this program. The City will gain access to the following services:

- Recognition as a regional leader in creating smart communities,
- Technical assistance on growth options,
- Access to best practices through a region-wide learning network of peers,
- Workshops with other innovative cities and regional experts,
- Community outreach on how to create a better future for the region, and
- Membership in the Cascade Agenda Coalition which is directed at influencing state level policy.

The Committee further recommended that the resolution regarding this matter be adopted. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY PERSSON, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED. (See page 109 for resolution.)

CED: City Center Community
Plan

Planning and Development Committee Chair Briere presented a report recommending that the draft of the City Center Community Plan be released for public review and comment.

MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL CONCUR IN THE COMMITTEE REPORT. CARRIED.

CED: Modified Moratorium,
Adult Entertainment Business
Permitting

Regarding the moratorium on permitting of adult businesses declared on 3/1/2010, Councilmember Briere recommended that the issue be revisited. City Attorney Warren explained that the Washington Cities Insurance Authority (WCIA) provided information to the City regarding federal court cases that are not reported case law, and recommended that the City not enact blanket moratoria that may be considered unconstitutional.

Explaining further, Mr. Warren remarked that the Planning and Development Committee also raised several areas of concern while reviewing draft legislation regarding the zoning of adult entertainment businesses. These issues included certain streets that were not covered, and that taverns could also be a contributing factor to negative secondary effects of adult entertainment. He stated that because of the recommendation from WCIA, and the issues raised by the Planning and Development Committee, he drafted a new resolution imposing a moratorium only on the areas where further zoning controls are being considered, and adding the Committee's concerns about taverns.

MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL RESCIND THE CURRENT MORATORIUM (RESOLUTION NO. 4037, ADOPTED 3/1/2010) ON THE PERMITTING OF ADULT ENTERTAINMENT BUSINESSES. CARRIED.

MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL SUSPEND THE RULES AND PRESENT THE RESOLUTION REGARDING THE NEW MORATORIUM ON THE PERMITTING OF ADULT ENTERTAINMENT BUSINESSES FOR READING AND ADOPTION. CARRIED.

ADDED
RESOLUTION #4041

CED: Modified Moratorium,
Adult Entertainment Business
Permitting

A resolution was read declaring a moratorium on the permitting on adult entertainment businesses and taverns as defined in City Code, within specific geographical areas, establishing a public hearing, and establishing a termination date for the moratorium. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS READ.*

Responding to Council inquiries, Mr. Warren remarked that although additional layers of regulation have been added over the years, the adult entertainment ordinance remains essentially unchanged from its inception 25 years ago. He also clarified for the record that the term "taverns" includes establishments that serve beer or hard liquor. Additionally, Mr. Warren noted that a suggested date for the public hearing will be brought to the Council in the near future.

*MOTION CARRIED.

**RESOLUTIONS AND
ORDINANCES**

RESOLUTION #4042

CED: Membership Agreement,
Cascade Cities Agenda
Program

The following resolution was presented for reading and adoption:

A resolution was read endorsing the Cascade Agenda, and pursuing a partnership with the Cascade Land Conservancy as a member of the Cascade Agenda Cities Program. MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY PARKER, COUNCIL ADOPT THE RESOLUTION AS PRESENTED. CARRIED.

The following ordinance was presented for first reading and referred to the 4/19/2010 Council meeting for second and final reading:

Board/Commission: Create
Library Advisory Board

An ordinance was read amending Chapter 13, Library Board, of Title II (Commissions and Boards), of City Code, to create a Library Advisory Board for issues related to services provided to Renton residents by the King County Library System. MOVED BY PALMER, SECONDED BY ZWICKER, COUNCIL REFER THE ORDINANCE FOR SECOND AND FINAL READING ON 4/19/2010. CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS

Citizen Comment: Various,
Cavalla Preliminary Plat
Appeal, Petrie, PP-08-097

MOVED BY BRIERE, SECONDED BY CORMAN, COUNCIL REFER THE
CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING THE CAVALLA PRELIMINARY PLAT APPLICATION
APPEAL RECEIVED FROM GWENDOLYN HIGH, ANITA AND RICHARD OLIPANT,
AND DAVID HALINEN TO THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.
CARRIED.

AUDIENCE COMMENT

Citizen Comment: DeMastus -
Activities in the Renton
Highlands

Sandel DeMastus (Renton) expressed appreciation for the direct
communications she has received from Mayor Law regarding activities in the
Renton Highlands. She highlighted a few incidents that occurred and remarked
that extra patrols in the Highlands would be nice.

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED BY PERSSON, SECONDED BY BRIERE, COUNCIL ADJOURN. CARRIED.
Time: 7:59 p.m.



Bonnie I. Walton, CMC, City Clerk

Jason Seth, Recorder
April 12, 2010

RENTON CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING CALENDAR
Office of the City Clerk
COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETINGS SCHEDULED AT CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 12, 2010

COMMITTEE/CHAIRMAN	DATE/TIME	AGENDA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE (Persson)	MON., 4/19 6 p.m.	City Center Community Plan; Emerging Issues
COUNCIL WORKSHOP (Persson)	WED., 4/21 1:30 p.m.	Financial Forecast; Capital Project Priorities and Funding Options; Fire Authority Financial Analysis; 2011-2016 Business Plan *Merrill Gardens at Renton Centre, 104 Burnett Ave. S.*
COMMUNITY SERVICES (Palmer)		
FINANCE (Parker)	MON., 4/19 5:00 p.m.	Vouchers; 2010 Carry Forward Budget Ordinance
PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT (Briere)		
PUBLIC SAFETY (Taylor)	MON., 4/19	CANCELED
TRANSPORTATION (AVIATION) (Corman)		
UTILITIES (Zwicker)		

NOTE: Committee of the Whole meetings are held in the Council Chambers unless otherwise noted. All other committee meetings are held in the Council Conference Room unless otherwise noted.